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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 1999, please amend the above-referenced application for patent as follows:

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In the Claims

Please cancel claim 20.

Please enter and consider the following amendments to claims 1, 10, 17 and 18.

(Once Amended) A support device for supporting tissues overlying a first and second nasal passage of an animal, the support device comprising:

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